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Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of good faith and candor as set forth in 37 CFR 1.56(a), applicants request that the reference cited on attached form PTO-1449 (a copy of which is enclosed) be considered by the Examiner in connection with the search of the prior art required by 37 CFR 1.104.

Enclosed also please find a copy of the European Search Report citing this reference. The relevance of this reference can be seen from the European Search Report. It is also submitted that EP 0 715 246, WO 97/14087, WO 98/42098 and EP 0 999 488 are not being cited herein because they were previously submitted in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 9, 2005.

Therefore, applicants are only submitting the newly cited reference (U.S. Patent No. 5,943,422) with this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

This Statement is being filed under 37 CFR 1.97(b) prior to the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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